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PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
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 Fernando L. ALVARADO, et al. : Confirmation Number: 5984  
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 Application No.: 09/522,709 : Group Art Unit: 3693  
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 Filed: March 10, 2000 : Examiner: CHANDLER, Sara M.  
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 For: METHOD FOR MANAGING RISK IN MARKETS RELATED TO COMMODITIES  
 DELIVERED OVER A NETWORK  
☐ Title for CIP: Method and System for Managing and Evaluating Transmission Congestion Risk in  
 Electricity Derivative Contracts

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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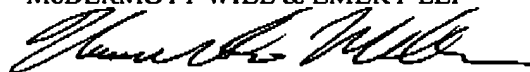
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It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated March 30, 2009, now due to expire June 30, 2009, be extended for one month(s) and set to expire on July 30, 2009.

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